



September 3, 2015

TO: LOCSD Board of Directors
FROM: Michael Doyel, District Accountant *MD*
SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 11E - 9/3/2015 Board Meeting**
Establish Appropriation Limit for Fiscal Year 2015/2016

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DESCRIPTION

Article 13B of the California Constitution limits the total appropriation funded by proceeds of taxes to amounts adjusted each year by the change in cost of living and the change in population. There are a number of exceptions allowed. One exception is appropriation for debt service.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board adopt Resolution establishing the District's appropriation limit for FY 2015/2016.

This item will be approved along with the Consent Calendar unless it is pulled by a Director for separate consideration. If so, Staff recommends that the Board adopt the following motion:

Motion: I move that the Board adopt Resolution 2015-25 establishing the District's appropriation limit of \$8,510,896 for Fiscal Year 2015/2016.

DISCUSSION

Each year as part of the budget process, the District determines its appropriation limit in accordance with Article 13B of the California Constitution. This is also more commonly known as the Gann Initiative on Spending Limits. The limit is computed using two statistical factors provided by the State Department of Finance. One factor is the change on cost of living using per capita income change for the State. This change is an increase of 3.82%. The second factor is the change in population in the beginning of the calendar year. The District uses the population change in the unincorporated area of San Luis Obispo County which increased by 0.90%. This represents an increase of 1,031 individuals. The appropriation limit of the District for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 increases by 4.5% or \$385,936 over the prior year making the limit to be \$8,510,896. The FY2015/16 budget shows that only \$2,600,156 qualifies as Proceeds of Taxes subject to the limit. Wastewater Assessments revenue of \$1,148,322 is exempted because it is for Debt Service.

The historical trend of the District's appropriation limits since the inception of the District is attached as Exhibit A. Other pertinent information is reflected in Exhibit B.

Attachments

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**LOS OSOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
HISTORICAL ANNUAL APPROPRIATION LIMITS**

	LIMIT	FACTOR
FY98-99 BASE AMOUNT	\$4,259,330	
FY99-00	\$4,526,390	1.0627
FY00-01	\$4,830,563	1.0672
FY01-02	\$5,302,509	1.0977
FY02-03	\$5,331,143	1.0054
FY03-04	\$5,546,521	1.0404
FY04-05	\$5,815,527	1.0485
FY05-06	\$6,213,309	1.0684
FY06-07	\$6,530,188	1.0522
FY07-08	\$6,900,450	1.0567
FY08-09	\$6,995,676	1.0138
FY09-10	\$7,140,486	1.0207
FY10-11	\$7,079,792	0.9915
FY11-12	\$7,317,673	1.0336
FY12-13	\$7,658,677	1.0466
FY13-14	\$8,083,733	1.0555
FY14-15	\$8,124,960	1.0051
FY15-16	\$8,510,896	1.0475

2015/16 Proceeds of Taxes Budgeted

ATTACHMENT B

	Tax as Budgeted	Exempted Debt Service Assmnt	Taxes Subject to Limit
Property Taxes			
Fire	1,760,766		1,760,766
Bayridge	7,812		7,812
Water	203,793		203,793
Special Fire Tax	532,329		532,329
Drainage Assessments	95,456		95,456
Wastewater Assessments	1,148,322	(1,148,322)	-
Appropriation Subject to Limit		(1,148,322)	2,600,156
2013-14 Appropriation Limit per EXHIBIT A			8,510,896
Available Limits			5,910,740

2014/15 Proceeds of Taxes Budgeted

	Tax as BudgetedAdjusted	Exempted Debt Service Assmnt	Taxes Subject to Limit
Property Taxes			
Fire	1,607,443		1,607,443
Bayridge	6,731		6,731
Waer	180,000		180,000
Special Fire Tax	498,910		498,910
Drainage Assessments	95,424		95,424
Wastewater Assessments	1,144,375	(1,144,375)	-
Appropriation Subject to Limit		(1,144,375)	2,388,508
2014-15 Appropriation Limit per EXHIBIT A			8,124,960
Available Limits			5,736,452

RESOLUTION 2015-25
A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE LOS OSOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016 LOCSD "GANN" APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT

WHEREAS, Article XIII B of the California Constitution Prohibits governmental agencies from appropriating proceeds of taxation in excess of their appropriations limit for that year;

WHEREAS, the Ballot Measure forming the Los Osos Community Services District (LOCSD) prescribed that the historical base for LOCSD's appropriations limit would be the last appropriations limit adopted by the County of San Luis Obispo for CSA9 and said limit was \$4,259,330 for FY98-99;

WHEREAS, based on statistics published by the State Department of Finance showing the change in Per Capita Cost of Living as 3.82% and Change in Population in the unincorporated area of the County as 0.90% for the most recent calendar year, the appropriation limit for the Los Osos Community Services District has been determined to increase by a factor of 1.0475.

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the application of the factor over the preceding year's appropriation limit results in an appropriation limit for the District of \$8,510,896 for the budget year 2015-2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOS OSOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, AND DETERMINE:

- 1. That the appropriation limit for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for the District is \$8,510,896;**
- 2. That total qualifying appropriations in the Preliminary Budget and in the Final Budget when adopted will not be in excess of the appropriation limit as hereby adopted.**

Upon motion of Director _____, seconded by Director _____
and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES: _____
NOES: _____
ABSENT: _____
ABSTAIN: _____

The foregoing resolution is hereby passed, approved and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Los Osos Community Services District this 3rd day of September, 2015.

R. Michael Wright
President, Board of Directors
Los Osos Community Services District

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kathy A. Kivley
General Manager and Secretary to the Board

Michael W. Seitz
District Legal Counsel